

## TY COBB BUSTS RIGHT INTO LITERARY GAME

Gawgia Honorable Hits in Simeon Ford Class at Book-sellers' Banquet.

## STEALS HOME ON HON. IRVIN

Tyrus Finds the Author-Fans in the Astor Bleachers Are With Him.

Those were great games in literature, such as William Dean Howells, Ty Cobb, Ambassador Page, Woodrow Wilson, Talbot Williams and Charles W. Eliot, whose thoughts either by word of mouth or in the form of letters were delivered last night at the dinner at the Hotel Astor which closed the fourteenth annual assembly of the American Bookellers Association.

And the greatest of these was the Right Hon. Tyrus Raymond Cobb of the State of Georgia, author of "Busting" (pronounced bustin'), a book that deals with a certain stormy episode in Honorable Ty's career at the old Hilltop ball yard is about as bumpy as hits, not human nature.

Toastmaster V. M. Schenck in introducing Cobb's foremost citizen merely happened to mention Mr. Cobb's name and Cobb broke large holes in the ceiling. President Wilson's name when read at the letter of regret also was well received.

Down at table 15 you could notice Mr. Cobb swell right up with pride, and he blushed bashfully as the cheers rent the air at the mere mention of the name of Cobb.

But his face fell when the toastmaster added, "Mr. Cobb is the greatest thief in his business."

## Then Irvin Realized.

However, Irvin Cobb down at table 15 wasn't meant at all, and Old Irvin seemed to see that when he was introduced. He bowed to the Cobb mentioned, for whom the cheers were let loose, was Honorable Ty, sitting up at the dais table, and that the literary referred to Ty's base stealing habits.

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## ARTILLERY TOLD TO BE READY TO MOVE

War Department Notices Coast Defence Officers to Prepare 6,000 Men

Coast artillery commanders from Maine to Florida received orders from the War Department early yesterday to have 6,000 troops ready to leave for the South at a moment's call. Most of them will be drawn from the forts in the North Atlantic States, where half the commands have been drilled as infantry during the last few weeks. It was the first order of this kind that has come to the regular troops in the East since the Mexican crisis arose.

The coast artillery troops affected by the order have been organized recently into two brigades of three regiments each. The whole command is composed of seventy-eight companies, and if the men are moved only half the coast defence forces will be left at the various forts.

Arrangements have been made by the Department of the East to entrain the men for Galveston as soon as they are needed. It is thought that the provisional regiments, as they are termed, may be sent South to reach Galveston by the time the fleet of transports from this port joins the rest of the troop and supply ships in the South.

The fleet now assembled at Galveston, it is said, can carry 5,000 troops and their equipment. It is expected that the coast artillerymen are sent to Texas, the National Guard coast artillery will probably be called upon to take their places. The local guardmen have been waiting for that order for some time.

War preparations in New York continued yesterday with greater haste than ever. Two more transports, the City of Memphis of the Savannah Line, left for Galveston yesterday loaded with munitions and supplies. The Panamanian, also of the Hawaiian Line, for the four vessels chartered by the Government last week will sail to-day.

The entire fleet carries a reserve base for a complete army division, which is being transferred to Gen. Funston. The supplies, of all kinds used by the army, are consigned to Galveston, but it was learned yesterday that the hatches are being sealed and that the cargoes will be cleared away from Vera Cruz as soon as troops and horses board the vessels at Galveston.

The Minnesotan, fitted up as a horse and mule ship, carried 15,000 rounds of rifle ammunition. The Panamanian, being prepared for similar service, was loaded with 3,000,000 rounds yesterday morning and another hatch was reserved for 2,000,000 rounds of shrapnel, which will be transferred to her hold when she gets out into the lower bay. All this is exclusive of forage, cavalry supplies, infantry supplies, 4,000 tons of provisions for the fleet of the Savannah Line, and 5,000 tons of provisions for the fleet of the Hawaiian Line.

The crews of the City of Memphis, the Panamanian and the Minnesotan were signed up under war conditions yesterday in order to be ready to handle the cargo or performing other tasks not ordinarily in their lot.

## SMALL VOLUNTEERS RETURN.

Five Brooklyn Boys, Armed for Battle, Caught in Pawtucket.

The five Brooklyn boys who deserted school last Monday, armed themselves with revolvers, knives and hammers, took a boat "to go to Vera Cruz and fight greasers," returned to their homes yesterday afternoon. The boat had landed them in Providence instead. After their mothers had hugged and sobbed over "their little heroes" their fathers clasped them in their arms and said, "Well, the boys had a taste of conflict."

The boys were Louis Book, 12 years old, of 145 Glen street; Frank Maloney, 15, of 34 Hill street; George Gordon, 15, of 100 Liberty avenue; Thomas Barry, 13, of 150 Weldon street; and John Lennon, 14, of 333 Crescent street. Louis Book is held by the police on a charge of having a loaded revolver. Master Gordon also had a revolver, but it didn't work well and he threw it away.

The warriors left Monday afternoon. All preparations, even to the minute detail of linen bandages for prospective wounds, had been made. Dewey got \$12 and his father's revolver. The others likewise gathered weapons, modern and ancient, and money. They got to Manhattan safely, but then something went wrong. It was the boat.

They saw a steamboat which looked as though it might be going to Vera Cruz and they boarded it. They paid the money demanded and waited until the palms should be sighted. But the boat headed for Providence and there they got off, disappointed but not discouraged.

They marched on to Pawtucket. It was time to camp, one of them suggested. So they camped. A bonfire to scare away animals was lighted. Then their money gave out. Hunger entered the camp.

A Catholic priest found the boys Wednesday, listened to their story, laughed and gave them a lecture and money to get back to New York.

## DURVEA RICHES TO CHILDREN.

Will Disposing of \$1,000,000 to Be Filled on Monday.

Mrs. Henry O. Anderson, one of the three children of Gen. Hiram Durvea, who was shot and killed on May 5 by his son Chester, is expected to arrive here tomorrow on the Brooklyn Express. If she does the will providing for the disposition of an estate estimated at about \$1,000,000 will be filed Monday.

It is reported that the will divides the estate equally between Mrs. Anderson and her brothers, Chester and Harry H. Durvea.

If Chester Durvea is declared insane the Supreme Court will be asked to appoint a committee to take care of his share of the property until his death or his recovery.

Chester H. Durvea was indicted in Brooklyn yesterday for the death of his father. County Judge Pawcett appointed two alienists who will determine not whether Durvea was insane when he shot and killed his father, but whether he is sane at present.

The alienists designated are Dr. Thurston H. Dexter of 411 Hancock street and Dr. Nathan H. Hartman of 442 Greene avenue. The motion for a commission was made by District Attorney Crompton. Robert H. Honeymann, counsel for the family, made no objection. Judge Durvea is adjudged insane by the present commission he will be committed to Mattewan without trial.

## DEMOCRATS IN OPEN REVOLT IN CONGRESS

Take Issue With Administration in Fight for Rural Credit Bill.

## DISASTER IS PREDICTED

Underwood, Pleading for Peace, Warns Followers of Party Split.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—An insurgent movement against the Wilson Administration that threatens the legislative programme adopted at the party caucus held Tuesday night has been organized by radical Democrats of the House.

For the first time since the Democrats came into control the Underwood leadership finds itself confronted with a situation in the House that may knock the legislative plans of the Administration into a cocked hat. The filibuster began yesterday morning was continued today.

As it became evident that Democrats, resentful because President Wilson directed that the rural credit bill be side-tracked, were bent on obstructing all other legislation, Leader Underwood delivered a speech in which he warned them that political disaster would overtake them if they persisted in their present tactics. There were evidences to-day that an insurgent faction such as resulted in the disintegration of the Republican party is forming among the House Democrats.

Radical members of the party in the secrecy of the caucus denounced Mr. Wilson for "executive domination." They denounced him publicly to-day.

"The time has come apparently when legislation is to be initiated at the White House," said Representative Hargrave of South Carolina, an anti-Administration Democrat. "The President does not like the pending rural credit bill. Therefore he gives orders that the measure shall be side-tracked. He does this in the face of promises made by himself and platform pledges made by the Democratic party."

The insurgent leaders declare that unless time is allowed to consider the rural credit bill they will resort to every expedient possible under the rules to hold up the anti-trust bills. Time and again in the course of debate on the diplomatic appropriation bill points of order were raised by the insurgents. The Democrats made by Representative Wilson of Arkansas and Thompson of Oklahoma.

Leader Underwood occupied his seat in the House keenly observant of the tactics of the insurgents. After the caucus he called for the fourth time Mr. Underwood delivered a sharp lecture to his colleagues.

He declared that if obstructive tactics were continued the House would be delayed in its work. His speech did not bring the insurgents to order, it aroused Representative Thompson to fury. He had made two points of "no quorum" and took Mr. Underwood's talk as a personal rebuke.

"I want to say that I intend to see that a quorum is here always unless we are going to pass a rural credit bill," shouted Mr. Thompson.

Mr. Underwood replied that he favored rural credit legislation.

"The gentleman's position in caucus does not square with his talk on the floor now," retorted Mr. Thompson angrily.

"The gentleman is dreaming," returned Mr. Underwood.

While the filibuster and the row were in progress in the House, the subcommittee having the rural credit bill under consideration was holding a war dance. All of the Democratic members of the subcommittee favor the rural credit bill despite President Wilson's objection to it. They made a report to the full committee to-night and insisted that the full committee act on it promptly.

President Wilson has been advised of the present state of affairs in the House. In previous controversies with factions in Congress Mr. Wilson never has shown a disposition to yield his views or his position. If he stands pat in the present instance the insurgents predict that the rest of this session will be lively.

## Stegel Examination Postponed.

United States Commissioner Gilchrist postponed yesterday the bankruptcy examination of Henry Stegel until June 4.

Stegel, who was arrested on the charge of defrauding the United States, had been in custody for several days, but has signified his intention of returning. The adjournment saved Stegel from being adjudged in contempt for failing to appear for examination.

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## ON R. R. RATE 'INFLUENCES'

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WASHINGTON, May 14.—A speech printed in the Congressional Record this morning under the name of Senator La Follette that cost the Government more than \$12,000 was the subject of hot words in the House this afternoon.

Representative Barnhart of Indiana roundly scored La Follette for this "abuse of the printing privilege," declaring that if all members followed Mr. La Follette's example it would cost the Government \$8,500,000 a day to get out the Congressional Record.

The Record with La Follette's speech is the bulkiest document of the kind ever carried out by the Government Printing Office. It embraces 365 pages. Senators and Representatives gaped this morning when copies of the issue were laid on their desks.

A section of the issue of the Record was given over to Mr. La Follette's speech and the accompanying exhibits, which together took up 365 pages, most of it in agate type.

Among the interesting exhibits by Senator La Follette are many circulars put out by Middendorf, Williams & Co. of Baltimore, a firm dealing in investment securities, a member of the firm being a brother to John Skelton Williams, Comptroller of the Currency. There are also a number of letters signed by Langbourne Williams of Richmond, who is said by Senator La Follette to be a brother of John Skelton Williams.

Mr. Williams wrote to nearly every one of the commission and some of his letters were rather pungent. He signed himself to the Interstate Commerce Commission as the secretary-treasurer of the Richmond Mica Company and in others transferred to Halifax Paper Company. He insists that the railroads should have the increased rates.

Senator La Follette's symposium is certainly a strong argument in favor of the increase of rates of railroads if there is any value in the argument. The appeals for increases come from shippers, bankers, commercial organizations and economists.

"The extension of this member's remarks in the Record," said Mr. Barnhart, "has cost \$8,549.62 for printing, and the binding and other work on the permanent edition will cost \$2,819, a total of \$11,368.62. The cost of the 421 members of Congress were to abuse the printing privilege in this way it would amount to the colossal sum of \$6,500,000 daily. The sole purpose of the publication is to exploit a name at the expense of the taxpayers."

## SEE CONGRESS "SHELL GAME."

Members Think Prohibition Amendment Will Not Come Up.

WASHINGTON, May 14.—The few members in the House who want to vote on the prohibition amendment think they are victims of some sort of a legislative shell game. Leader Underwood gave assurances last week that a vote on prohibition would be taken before adjournment. Since the adoption of the legislative programme by the Democratic caucus there seems to be doubt that the issue will be joined at this time.

Chairman Henry of the Rules Committee said to-day he understood the caucus action on prohibition. He said that the amendment in the programme adopted. Leader Underwood does not accept this interpretation. He takes the position that if time permits other bills will have consideration. Mr. Underwood admits that "other bills" may be lost in the shuffle, as he is determined to bring about an adjournment by July 15, if possible.

If the Rules Committee persists in its refusal to report a rule on prohibition, a Democratic caucus may be called on the subject.

## Safety First Forum Meets Monday.

Mayor Mitchel, Borough President Markey and Chief Magistrate McAdams will be the guests of honor at the inaugural of the Safety First Forum at the Biltmore Hotel on Monday night. Ogden L. Mills, President of the Safety First Society, will be chairman.

## A Letter from the Chief Justice of North Carolina

WALTER CLARK, Chief Justice  
State of North Carolina  
Supreme Court  
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30 March, 1914.

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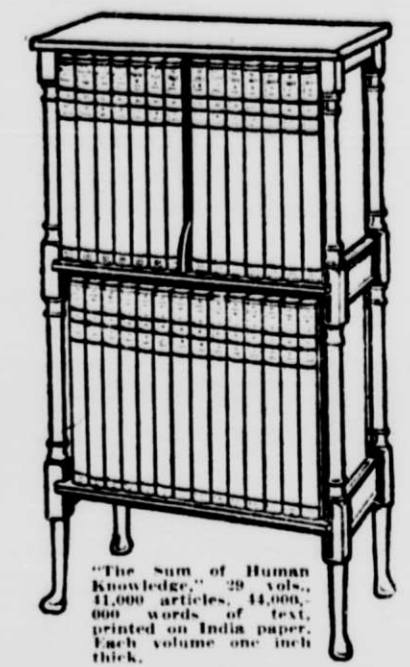
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